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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, SAFETY AND GENERAL SERVICES

Thursday, October 19, 2006 - 9:00 A.M.

Milwaukee County Courthouse - Room 201-B

MINUTES

TAPE No. 18: Side A, #555 to EOT
Side B, #001 to #642

PRESENT: Supervisors Rice, De Bruin, Schmitt, Cesarz, Broderick, Devine and Johnson (Chair)

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

1. 06-J-18 From the Ethics Board and County Clerk, report(s) on compliance with and enforcement of Chapter 14 - Regulation of Lobbying, including status of registration and reporting by lobbyists and principals and adoption of rules by Ethics Board to enforce same. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)** (Tape #18A-#579)

APPEARANCES:

Bill Domina, Corporation Counsel
Bob Andrews, Deputy Corporation Counsel
County Clerk Mark Ryan
Dan Hanley, Chairman, Ethics Board
Susan Shields, Executive Director, Ethics Board

Supervisor Rice provided comments regarding the progress of the Ethics Study workgroup.

County Clerk Ryan provided brief comments and suggested that this be referred to the Ethics Study workgroup.

Mr. Andrews provided comments relative to delineation of Ethics Board responsibilities vs. County Clerk's Office.

Questions and comments ensued at length.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

Ms. Shields provided comments and indicated that there is some confusion among the lobbying community as to what their requirements are.

MOTION BY: (BRODERICK) refer to the Ethics Study workgroup for further review.

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(g), for the purpose of the Committee receiving oral or written advice from legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to pending or possible litigation with regard to the following matter(s). At the conclusion of the closed session, the Committee may reconvene in open session to take whatever actions it may deem necessary:

CORPORATION COUNSEL RECOMMENDS PAYMENT/SETTLEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING CLAIMS/LITIGATION *(Note: Section 56.08 of the Milwaukee County General Ordinances authorizes the Judiciary Committee to settle all claims when the amount does not exceed \$5,000.00, and the action of the Committee is final and no further County Board action is required.):*

2. 06-371 From GMAC Insurance, submitting a claim under their subrogation rights of their insured, James E. Walgrave, for injuries and damages allegedly sustained as the result of a motor vehicle accident involving a Milwaukee County-owned vehicle. **(Corporation Counsel recommends payment of \$4,495.56 to satisfy all claims arising out of the June 30, 2006 motor vehicle accident) 7-0** (Tape #18B-#229)

APPEARANCES:

Bob Andrews, Deputy Corporation Counsel

MOTION BY: (DE BRUIN) Approve items 2-5, as recommended by Corporation Counsel.

AYES: Rice, DeBruin, Schmitt, Cesarz, Broderick, Devine and Johnson (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

3. 06-356 From Yehia M. El Tabei, submitting a claim for the alleged damage to vehicle when his vehicle was hit by another vehicle while traffic was being directed by a Milwaukee County Sheriff. **(Corporation Counsel recommends payment of a sum not to exceed \$2,100.00 to settle all claims arising out of the July 9, 2006 motor vehicle accident)**

SEE ACTION UNDER ITEM 2.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

4. 06-424 From James Trandell, submitting a claim for damages to his parked vehicle allegedly sustained when it was struck by a County vehicle. **(Corporation Counsel recommends payment of \$1,615.51.)**

SEE ACTION UNDER ITEM 2.

5. 06-351 From Troy Schoenrock, submitting a claim for damages allegedly sustained to his automobile when it was diverted off 114th Street due to roadwork being done on June 14, 2006. **(Corporation Counsel recommends payment of \$823.34 in settlement of all claims.)**

SEE ACTION UNDER ITEM 2.

6. 06-J-13 From Corporation Counsel, status report on action of Supreme Court to grant petition to review Court of Appeal's decision in Milwaukee County v. Williams and Hegney regarding the challenge to the Ordinance regulating taxicabs at the airport.

MOTION BY: (RICE) adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(g), for the purpose of the Committee receiving oral or written advice from legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to pending or possible litigation with regard to the following matter(s) (items 6-10). At the conclusion of the closed session, the Committee may reconvene in open session to take whatever actions it may deem necessary. 7-0 (Tape #18B-#637)

AYES: Rice, DeBruin, Schmitt, Cesarz, Broderick, Devine and Johnson (Chair) - 7
NOES: 0

The Committee adjourned into closed session at approximately 10:10 a.m. and did not reconvene back into open session.

7. 06-J-15 From Corporation Counsel, status report on action of Supreme Court to grant petition to review Court of Appeal's decision regarding City of Glendale Community Development Authority Condemnation Award concerning the authority of the Clerk of Courts to deposit a condemnation award in the County's general fund with interest accruing to the County.

SEE ACTION UNDER ITEM 6.

8. 06-J-19 Report from Corporation Counsel on the claim of Midwest Airlines for damage to an aircraft when it struck a truck during taxi operations at the airport.

SEE ACTION UNDER ITEM 6.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

9. 06-J-17 From Corporation Counsel, status report on Mercer pension lawsuit.

SEE ACTION UNDER ITEM 6.

10. 06-J-20 From Corporation Counsel, status report on Court of Appeals decision in Morford case involving the placement of sexual predators. (Tape #18B-#278)

Chairman Johnson acknowledged the presence of Alderman Bob Fuente from the City of Milwaukee.

The Committee discussed this item in open session and in closed session.

APPEARANCES:

Bill Domina, Corporation Counsel

John Jorgensen, Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel

Alderman Bob Fuente, City of Milwaukee

Mr. Domina and Mr. Jorgensen provided comments relative to the background and the status of this case.

Discussion ensued with questions and comments.

Alderman Fuente provided comments.

This item was taken out of order.

STAFF PRESENT: Rick Ceschin, Research Analyst, County Board
Bill Domina, Corporation Counsel
Bob Andrews, Deputy Corporation Counsel
John Jorgensen, Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel

This meeting was recorded on tape, which is available for audit upon prior request of the Committee Clerk. The foregoing matters were not necessarily considered in agenda order. Committee "green files" contain copies of resolutions, amendments, ordinances, reports and correspondence, etc., which may be reviewed upon request of the Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes is available in the County Board office.

Adjourned: 10:50 a.m.

Linda K. Durham

Linda K. Durham, Committee Clerk